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COMMISSIONER PATTY SHEEHAN TO DISTRIBUTE FREE BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO REEVES TERRACE CHILDREN

ORLANDO, FL (August 4, 2006) – Orlando City Commissioner Patty Sheehan will be giving away free back-to-school supplies to the children living in the Reeves Terrace public housing community. **The school supply giveaway will be tomorrow, August 5, 2006 from 12:00pm until 2:00pm at the Reeves Terrace Neighborhood Recreation Center at 150 McJordan Avenue.** Commissioner Sheehan and The Carroll Adams Group will be providing free backpacks and school supplies to all elementary and middle school children, ages 5 through 12, registered as living in Reeves Terrace as part of that community's **End of Summer/Back to School Jam** neighborhood party.

“The children living in Reeves Terrace are some of Orlando’s neediest and brightest,” Commissioner Sheehan said. “These are children who aren’t always afforded the best and whose parents do not have the financial means to equip them with the necessary tools to tackle going back to school. Through the generous sponsorship of The Carroll Adams Group and my office, we will be able to provide 110 boys and girls with a free backpack and supplies to be ready for their first day back to elementary and middle school.”

In addition to receiving free school supplies, the Reeves Terrace community will be treated to an on-site visit by the 102 JAMZ van and DJ Jay Love, “bounce house” style children’s rides and free food and prizes. The children will also have the opportunity to receive half priced haircuts courtesy of C/JAIS Barber Shop and Nelquan Touch. In addition to these sponsorships, NFL star Fernando Smith has donated the food for the event and will be in attendance and Gatorade and Wal-Mart have also been kind sponsors of this special occasion. The children of Reeves Terrace can also look forward to additional special guests making appearances at the Jam.

“I am extremely excited about this event and looking forward to ensuring that 110 of Orlando’s poorest children will report to their first day of school on equal footing with the rest of Orange County’s students,” Commissioner Sheehan said in closing.

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